# Governor's Local Issues Conference



## Tourism Economic Impact





## Tourism Economic Impact 2021

The Tourism Industry generated 11.2 billion and 83,100 jobs in 2021



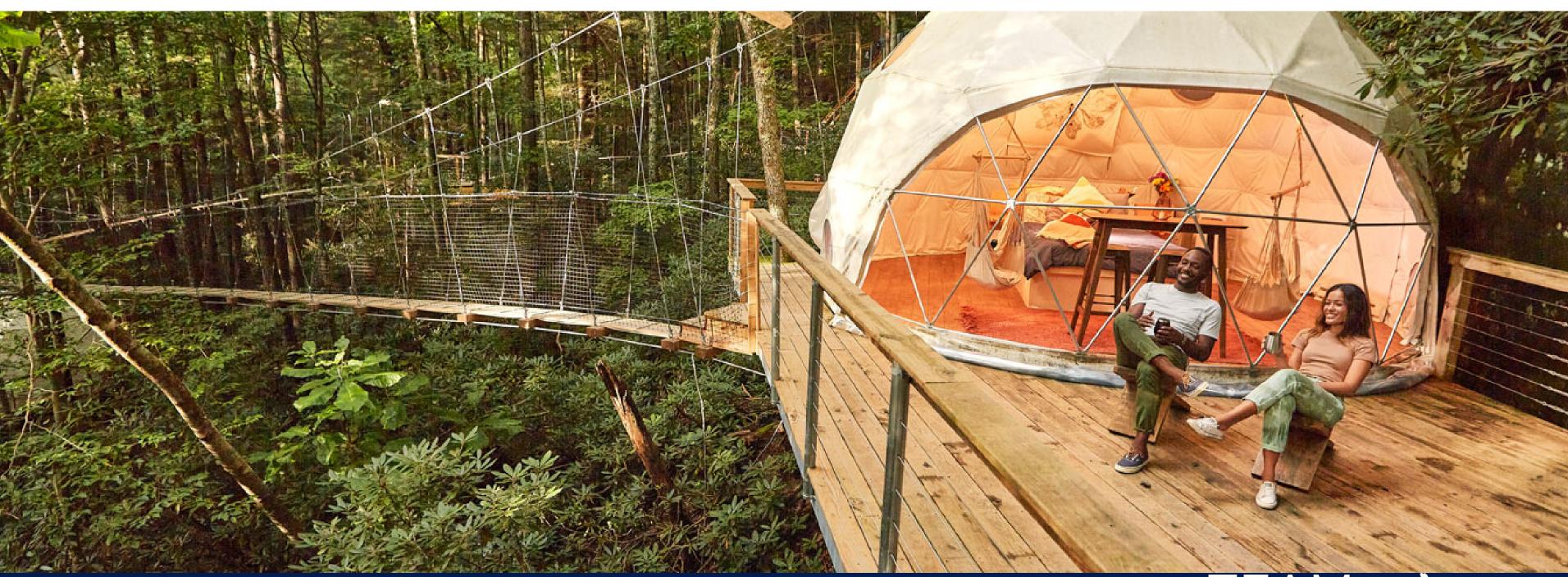


## Tourism Economic Impact 2021

- According to a study from Tourism Economics, in 2021, travel confidence rebounded from the COVID-19 pandemic in Kentucky, with total visitation recovering to approximately 96% of 2019 volumes
- Visitor trips to the commonwealth reached 70.5 million, generating \$808 million in state and local taxes, which is a \$462 tax savings for every household in Kentucky









- KDT ran 16 marketing campaigns in 28 markets!
- The campaigns included in this study produced an additional 4.1 million trips to Kentucky, that otherwise would not have materialized in the absence of advertising.
- 2.7 million of those incremental trips were from existing markets, and 1.4 million from new markets.





- Looking at total markets, KDT spent \$2.00 for every incremental trip taken.
- This translates into a return on investment of \$66 in visitor spending for each ad dollar spent (overall).
- This is the best result in the four years Kentucky has conducted this survey with Longwoods!





SITUATIONAL ANALYIS

OBJECTIVES

STRATEGY

EXECUTION

RESULTS

KENTUCKY

#### OUT-OF-HOME



Snowbird Travelers

#### NATIVE ADS



Ad by Travel Kentucky Awards

#### Enjoy Endless Family Fun

Discover horses, adventure and wideopen spaces. This is Kentucky - Come see for yourself.

LatinX Travelers



Ad by Travel Kentucky Aware

#### Explore Local Culture

Discover horses, history and wide-open spaces. This is Kentucky – Come see for yourself!

Black Travelers



Ad by Travel Kentucky Sessity

#### Your Best Stop on the Way

Discover horses, bourbon and wideopen spaces. This is Kentucky - Come see for yourself.

Snowbird Travelers



Ad by Travel Kentucky, America

#### Make it a Trip to Remember

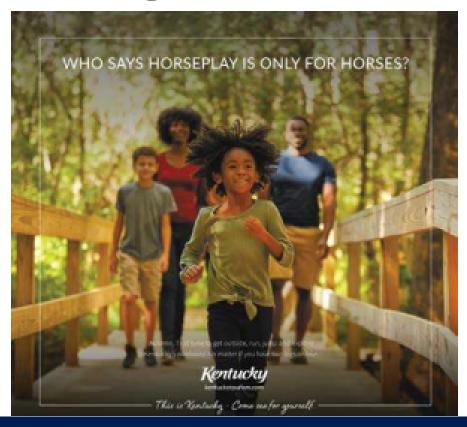
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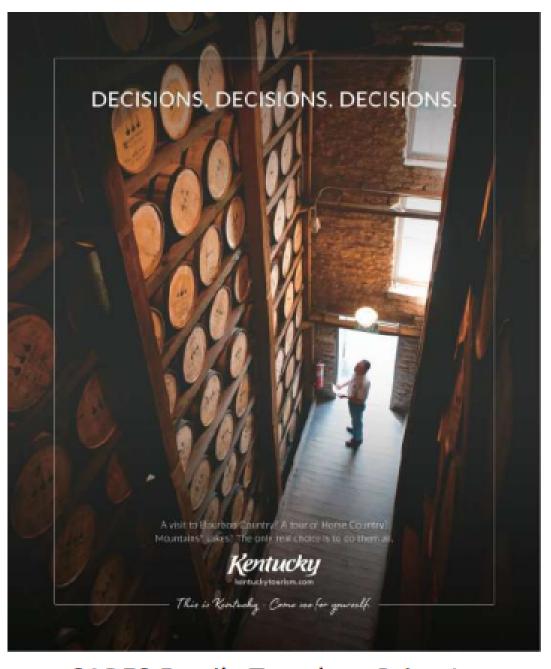
> Family Travelers in New Markets



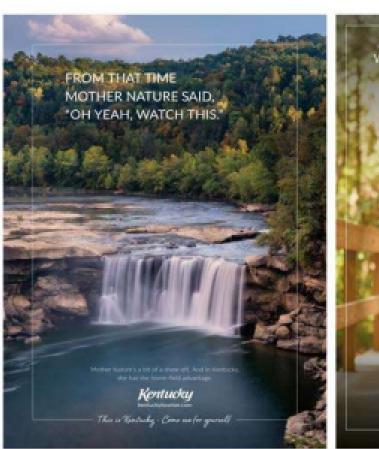


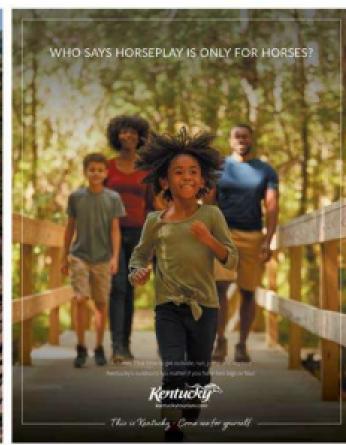
Regional NKR - Print





CARES Family Traveler - Print 1





Fall AOR - Print 2



# ARPA Funding





# ARPA/SLFRF Funding

## Pool #1

\$15 Million
For marketing and promoting
tourism in Kentucky

## Pool #2

\$25 Million
Distributed to tourism commissions for marketing communities

### Pool #3

\$25 Million
Distributed to tourism commissions for attracting meetings and conventions

## Pool #4

\$10 Million
Distributed to tourism commissions for multi-jurisdiction collaborative destination marketing



# Applications, affidavits and other resources can be found on the Industry webpage at: kentuckytourism.com/industry



**BRANDING & ASSETS** 

**BRAND GRAPHIC STANDARDS** 

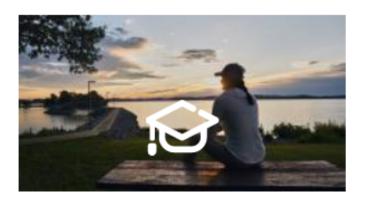
TOURISM SIGNAGE



PROGRAMS

**ARPA** 

MATCHING FUNDS PROGRAM



**TRAINING** 

LISTING/EVENTS TRAINING

**EVERYONE WELCOME TRAINING** 



TOURISM RESOURCES

RESEARCH

**KDT STAFF DIRECTORY** 



## Timeline

#### Pool #2 - \$25 Million to DMOs

- Monday, August 1: Applications open
- Friday, August 26: Applications close
- Monday, August 29: Application review process begins
- September: Contracts signed, checks begin being issued

#### **Pool #3 - \$25 Million for Meetings & Conventions:**

- Monday, August 8: Applications open
- Friday, September 2: Applications close
- Week of September 5: Application review process begins
- September/October: Contracts signed and checks begin being issued

#### Pool #4 - \$10 Million for multi-jurisdiction marketing:

- Monday, September 12: Applications open
- Friday, October 7: Applications close
- Week of October 10: Review Committee convenes to begin reviewing/scoring proposals
- October/November: Contracts signed and checks begin being issued







## Project Examples:

- Horse Soldier Farms, LLC
- Stephen Foster, LLC
- The Broadway Building, LLC
- Log Still Distilling, LLC
- Kentucky Downs
- Churchill Downs
- Manchester Hotel





\$1,000,000 minimum project development cost can recover 25% of development cost over 10 years for eligible tourism attractions such as:

- cultural or historical sites;
- recreation or entertainment facilities;
- areas of scenic beauty or distinctive natural phenomena;
- Entertainment Destination Centers;
- Kentucky Crafts and Products Centers;
- Theme Restaurant Destinations;



## Eligible Lodging Projects

- built with a tourism attraction and the tourism attraction cost more than the lodging facility; or
- rehabilitation of a historic structure; or
- restoration or renovation of a lodging facility having no less than 500 rooms with project costs exceeding \$10,000,000; or





- construction, restoration, or renovation of a full-service lodging facility which
  is or will be a part of a major convention or sports facility with project cost
  exceeding \$5,000,000; or
- construction, restoration, or renovation of a facility which is or will be located within a 50-mile radius of a property located on the National Register of Historic Places with a current function of recreation and located within any of the 100 least populated counties in terms of population density
- Eligible Lodging Projects built on state or federal parks and recreational lands can recover up to 50% of development costs over 20 years



# More information on the Tourism Development Fund Incentive Program please visit our webpage at: kentuckytourism.com/industry

